

Claim 56 (Currently Amended): The method of claim 52 54:

wherein said condiment pieces are formed from extruded condiment that is divided into said condiment pieces and fed to said hopper/ejection apparatus.

Applicant respectfully submits that the claim status identifiers have been corrected and are believed to be proper and compliant. Accordingly, the application for patent is in condition for examination and notification to that effect is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,



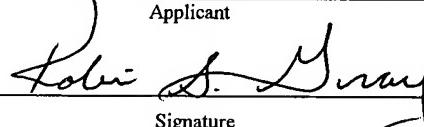
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